



# ORCHIDAS in 2-D

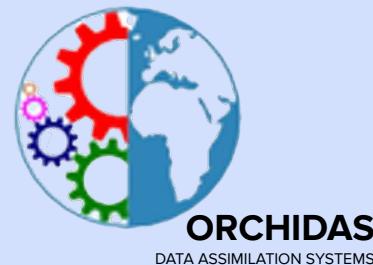
Calibrating ORCHIDEE albedo parameters over the whole of the  
Greenland

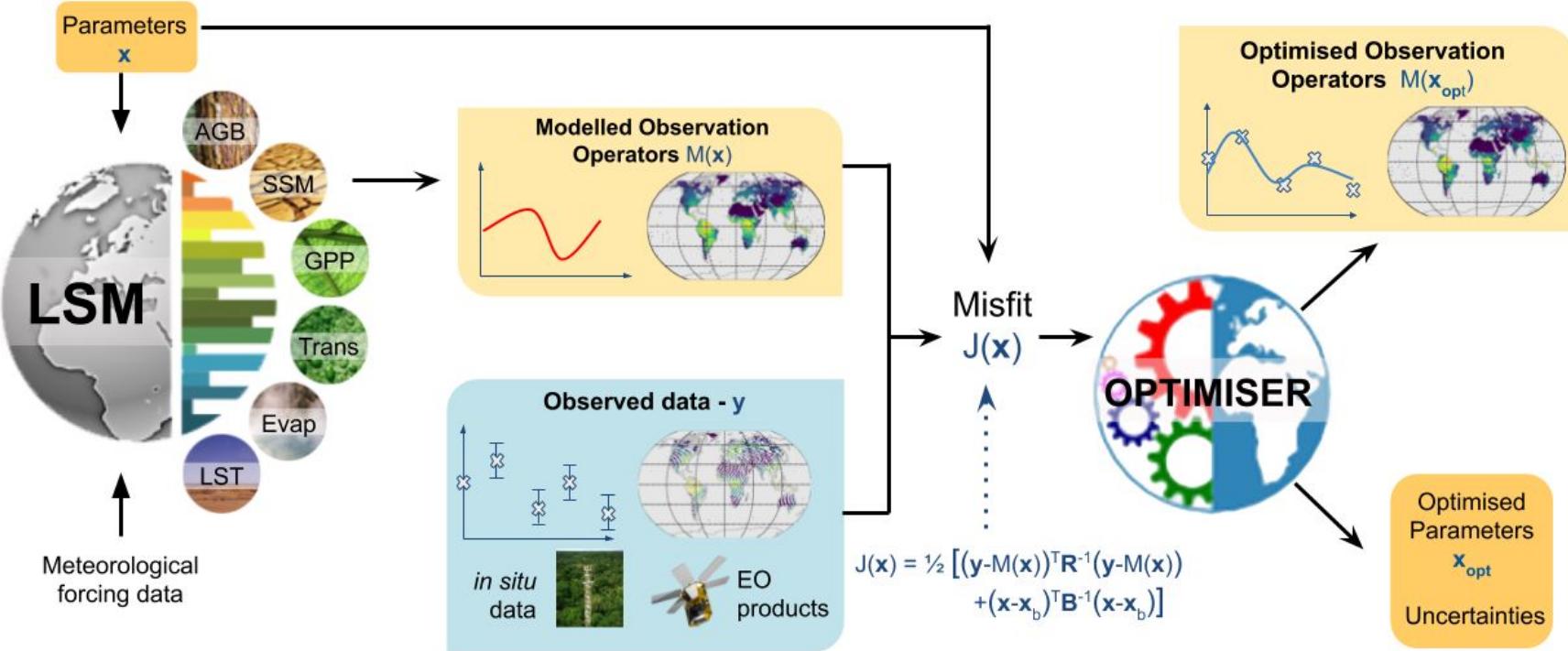
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# Overview

- **Goal:** finding one set of parameters for the whole of Greenland
  - Challenges:
    - Large area with different behaviours at the edges and the middle
    - Gradual warming over the last decade
- **Approach:** Perform a calibration/validation study using ORCHIDAS - the ORCHIDEE data assimilation system





## DATA ASSIMILATION SYSTEM: parameter optimisation

# Principles of Data Assimilation

$$J(x) = \frac{1}{2} (y - M(x))^T R^{-1} (y - M(x)) + \frac{1}{2} (x - x_b)^T B^{-1} (x - x_b)$$

Vector of parameters

Mismatch between the observations and the model

“Background” parameters i.e. default parameter values

Observations e.g. MODIS albedo

Error covariance matrix

Mismatch between the parameters tested and their values

Model output given the set of parameters  $x$  e.g. modelled albedo

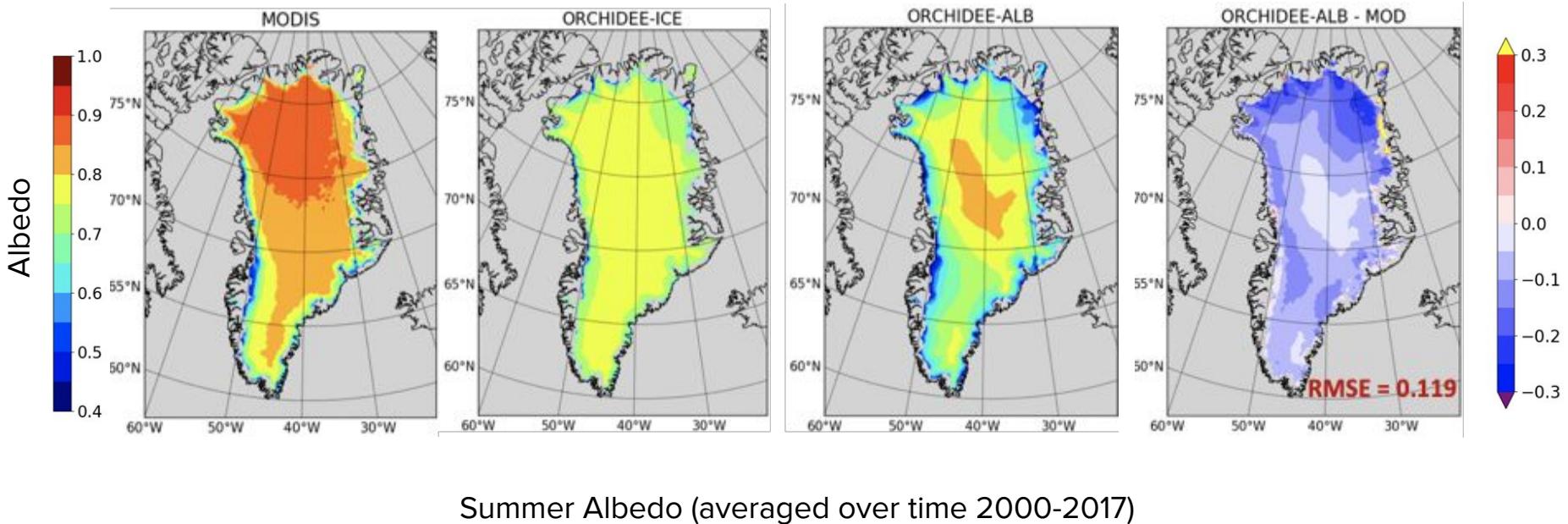
# The parameters ( $x$ )

Parameters already extensively tuned

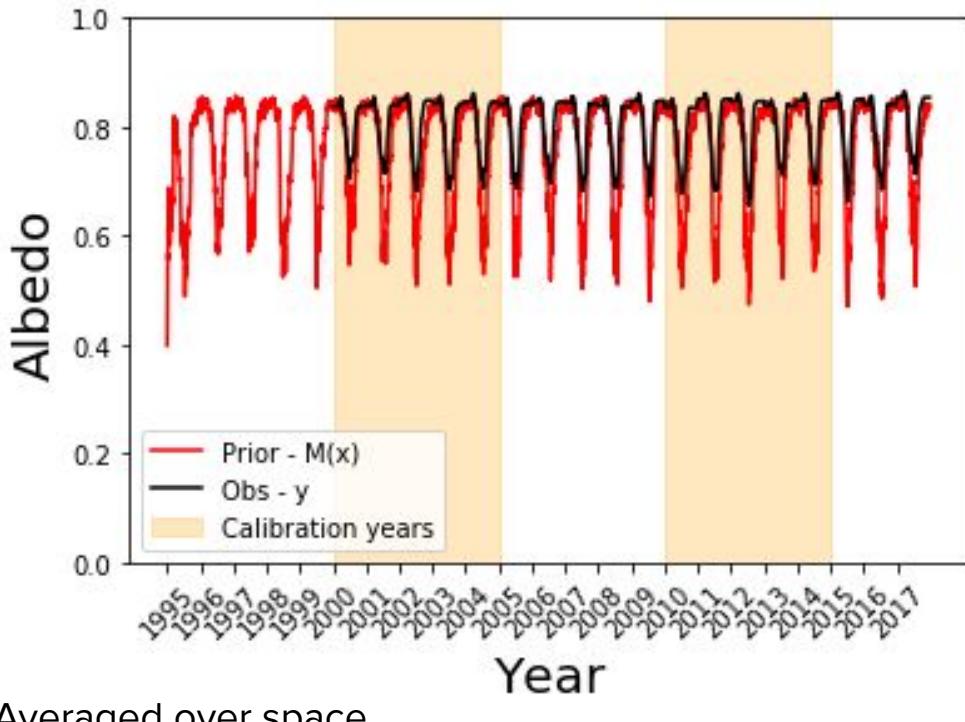
	Prior ( $x_b$ )	Min	Max
SNOWAAGED_VIS*	0.525	0.50	0.70
SNOWADEC_VIS*	0.349	0.10	0.40
SNOWTRANS_NOBIO	1	0.2	2
TCST_SNOWA_NOBIO	2	1	10
OMG1	2.5	1	7
OMG2	4	0.5	4
MAX_SNOW_AGE	50	40	60
ALB_ICE†	0.4	0.3	0.5

\*parameters are PFT specific therefore optimising the PFT1 (bare soil) parameter. Also there sum must be less than or equal to 1  
†this parameter takes two values which are both equal.

# The observations, model and difference: $y$ , $M(x)$ , $(y - M(x))$

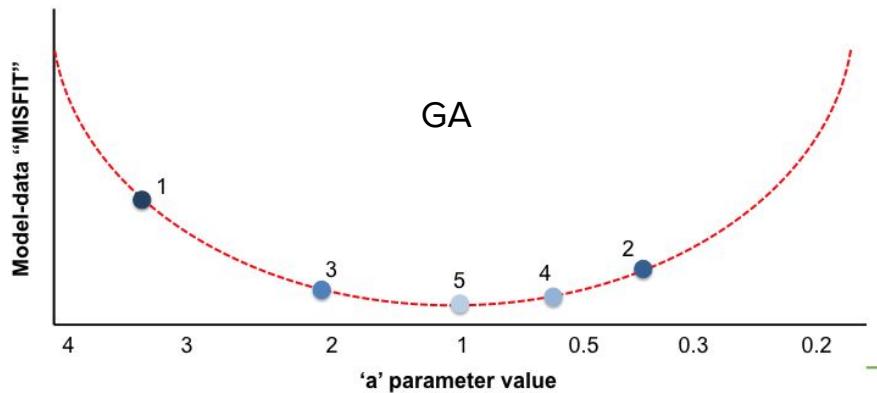
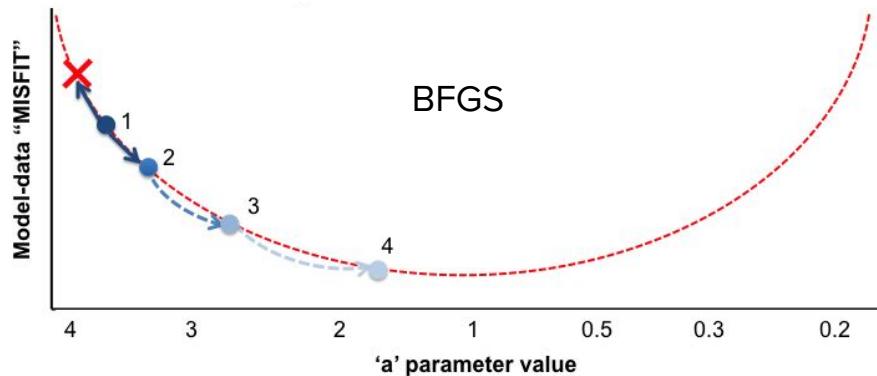
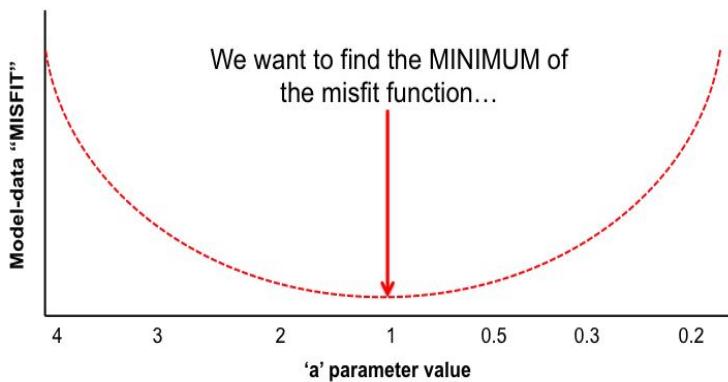


# The model and observations - $y, M(x)$

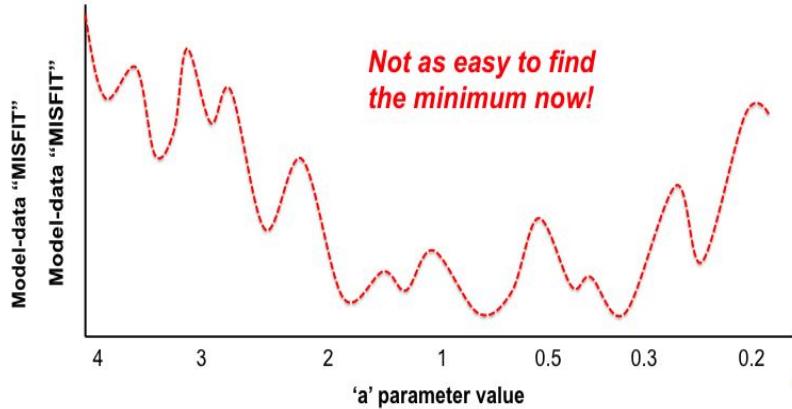


- ❖ “Prior” run is the run before calibration
- ❖ Needs years to “spinup”
- ❖ Want to keep years for validation

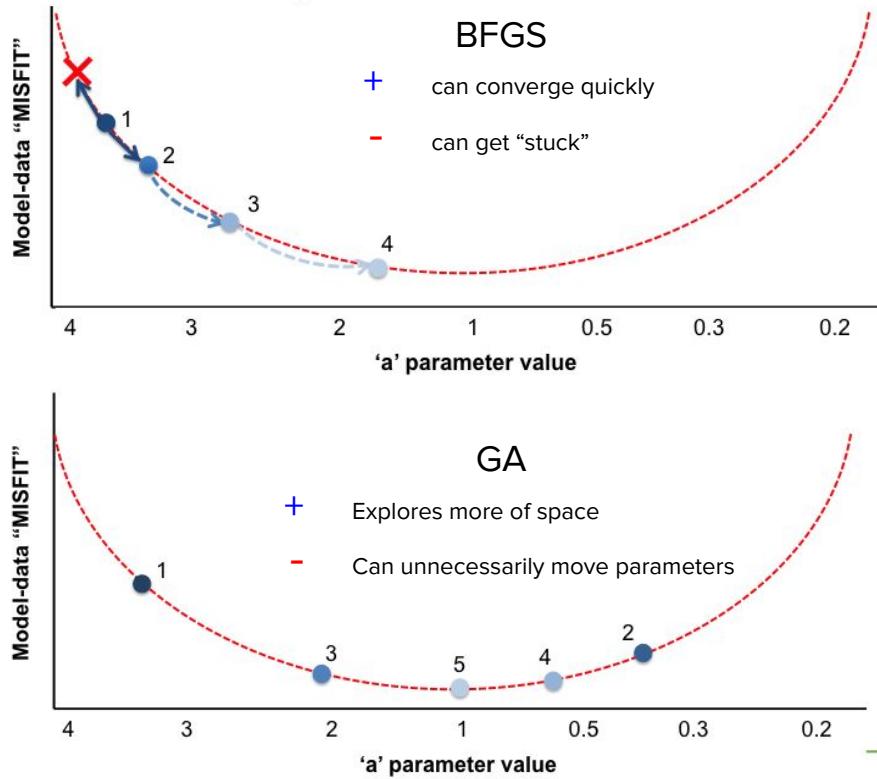
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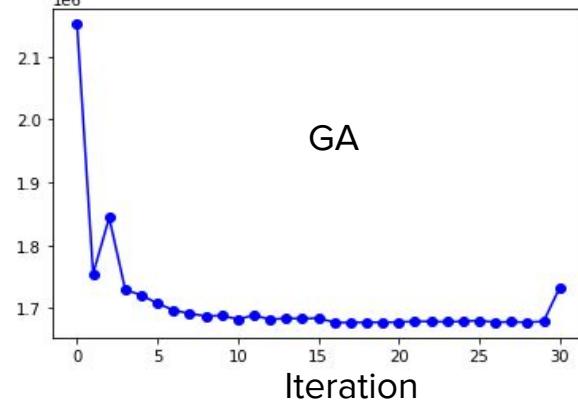
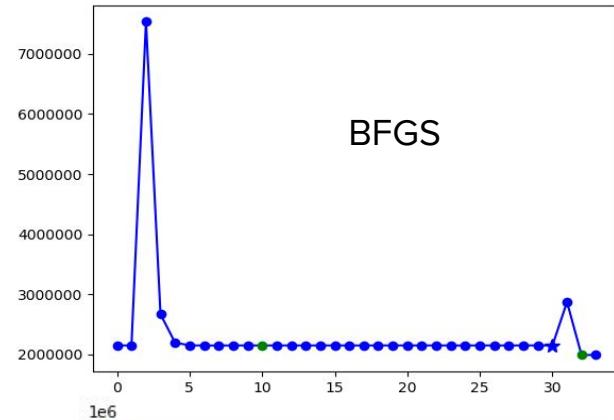


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of a multi-dimensional space!

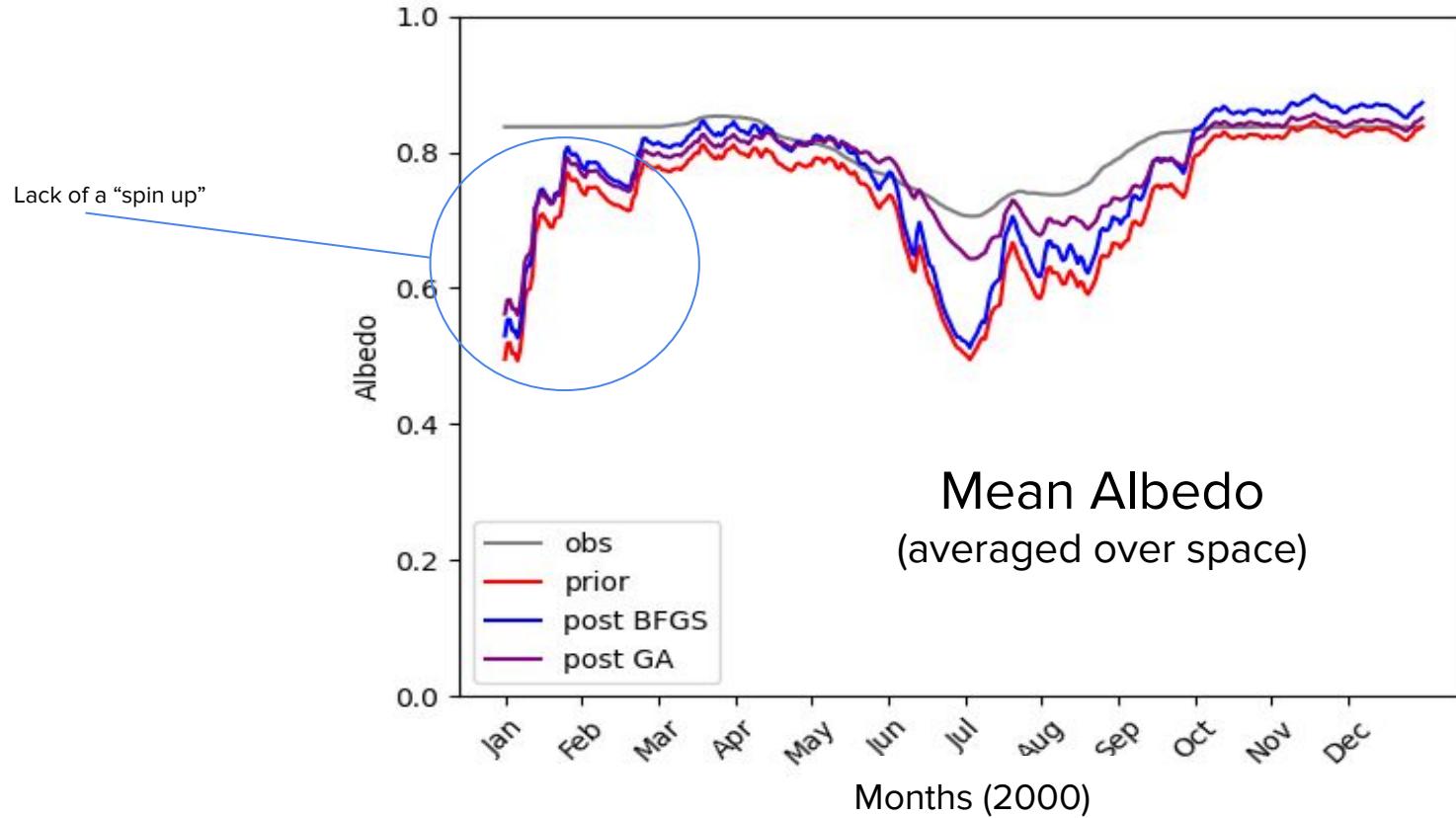


# Preliminary optimisation over 2000

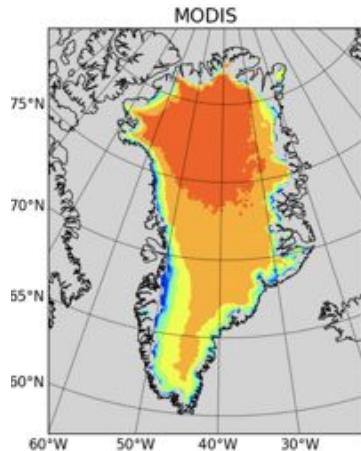
Parameter	Prior	Min	Max	Post (BFGS)	Post (GA)
SNOWA_AGED_VIS	0.525	0.5	0.7	↓0.5158	↑0.6283
SNOWA_DEC_VIS	0.349	0.1	0.4	↑0.3604	↓0.2498
SNOW_TRANS_NOBIO	1	0.2	2	↓0.7064	↑1.877
TCST_SNOWA_NOBIO	2	1	10	↓1.634	↑5.202
OMG1	2.4	1	7	↓1.95	↓1.346
OMG2	4	0.5	4	↓2.715	↓3.713
MAX_SNOW AGE	50	40	60	↓46.33	↑54.97
ALB_ICE	0.4	0.3	0.5	↑0.4367	↑0.4978
COST	2152000			1993000 (0.9261)	1677000 (0.7795)



# Results (time-series)

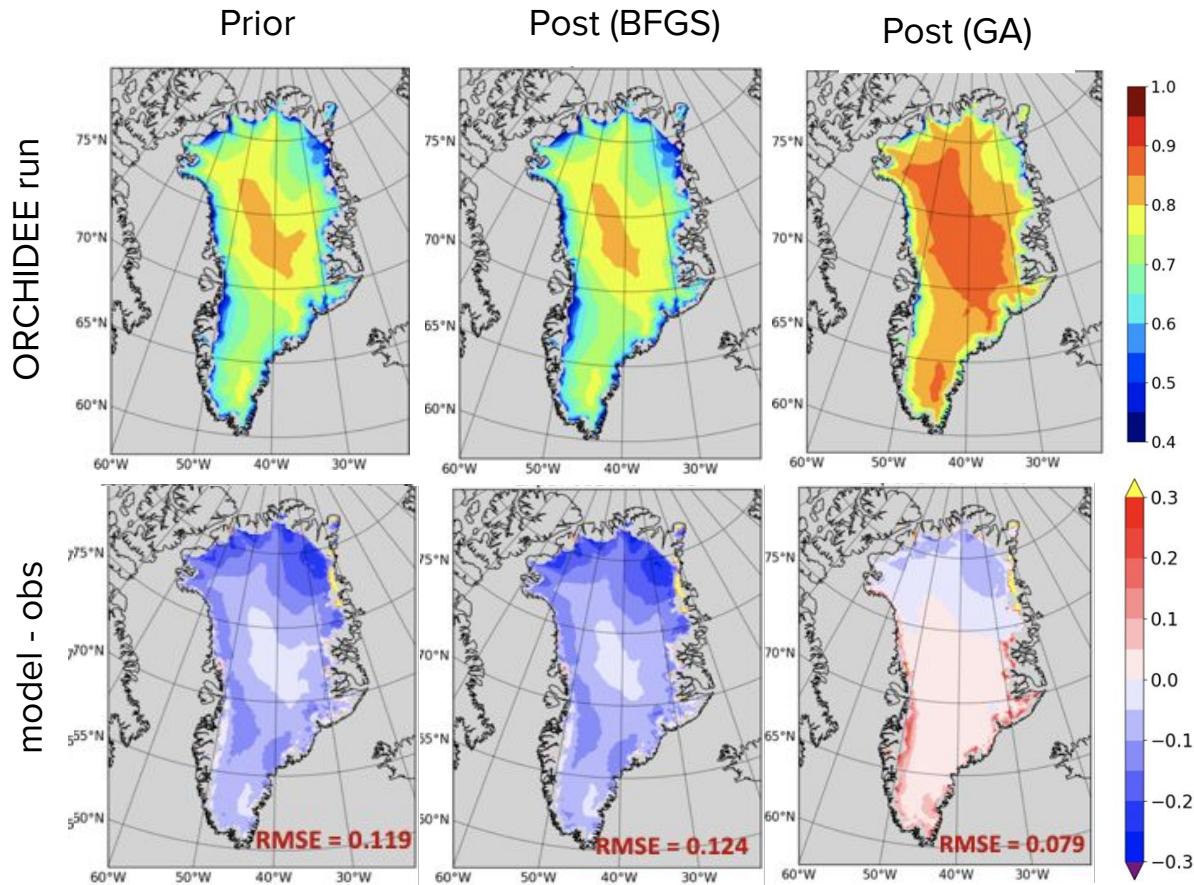


# Results (2-D)



Observations

Summer Albedo  
(averaged over time 2000-2017)



# Perspectives

Further calibrations over the:

- Whole of greenland for multiple years
- Whole of greenland with extra weights on edge points
- PROMICE in situ sites
- Summer only?
- Other data streams?

Thank you. Any questions?